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TAGS: EAIR, BG

SUBJ: FAA ASSISTANCE TO ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

REF: (A) STATE 236710, (B) 233071

1. ECON COUNSELOR AND ELLSWORTH CHING MET SEPTEMBER 24 WITH AIR COMMODORE MAHMOOD (AIR FORCE CHIEF OF STAFF) AND DEFENSE SECRETARY FAIZUDDIN AHMED TO CONVEY SUBSTANCE OF SECOND CHING TELECON (SEPT. 22, LATE PM WASHINGTON TIME). COMMODORE AND SECRETARY AGREED TO UTILIZE CHING'S EXPERTISE IN PURELY ADVISORY ROLE.

2. CHARGE, WHO SAW AIR COMMODORE MAHMOOD AND FOREIGN SECRETARY AT RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 27 ALSO EXPLAINED FAA POSITION ALONG LINES REFTEL A.

3. ECON COUNSELOR MET SEPTEMBER 28 WITH NEW ZEALAND HICOM REP ON VISIT HERE FROM DELHI AND ASSURED HICOM OFFICER THAT CHING'S ROLE PURELY ADVISORY.

4. BDG HAS REQUESTED NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT TO SEND A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MANUFACTURER TO ASSIST WITH THE INVESTIGATION. GNZ HAS PROVIDED THE SERVICES OF RONALD CHIPPINDALE, EX-SQUADRON RNZ AIR FORCE, AT PRESENT AN ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION OFFICER WITH THE GNZ TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION MINISTRY, TO ASSIST WITH THE INVESTIGATION. CHIPPINDALE IS PARTICULARLY KNOWLEDGEABLE CONCERNING THE PLANE INVOLVED. (IN ADDITION TO OTHER
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EXPERIENCE, CHIPPINDALE HAS TAKEN AN ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION COURSE

AT UNIV. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.)

5. DEFENSE SECRETARY TELEPHONED ECON COUNSELOR SEPTEMBER 28 TO
REQUEST PROMPT PRESENTATION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (REFTEL B).
PLEASE CABLE TEXT OR ADVISE HOW SENT.

6. DEPT MAY WISH PASS THIS MESSAGE TO AMEBASSY WELLINGTON.CHESLAW

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